

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

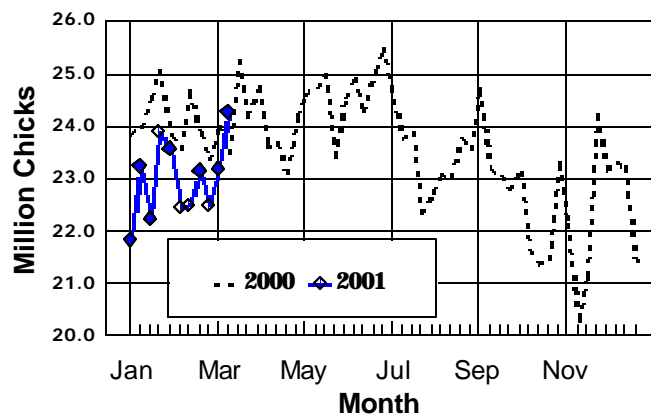
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 24.3 million during the week ending March 17, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2000, but 5 percent above the previous week, and included 2.7 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through March 17, 2001 were 252.8 million, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 24.7 million, slightly above the corresponding week a year earlier, and up 1 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.6 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.9 percent.

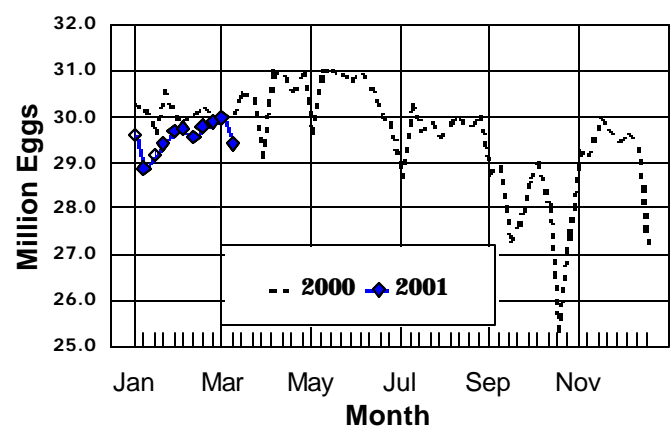
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 29.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 17, 2001, 4 percent below the same period last year, and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>		
Feb. 10	24,678	22,457	91	25,350	23,864	94	30,083	29,752	99
Feb. 17	23,844	22,478	94	24,722	24,141	98	30,248	29,581	98
Feb. 24	23,384	23,167	99	24,686	24,393	99	30,009	29,820	99
Mar. 3	24,043	22,485	94	24,797	24,515	99	30,063	29,916	100
Mar. 10	23,484	23,203	99	24,722	24,466	99	30,079	29,991	100
Mar. 17	25,285	24,259	96	24,695	24,708	100	30,563	29,426	96

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



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# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001**

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
Week Ending					1/	Week Ending					1/	
STATE	24-Feb	03-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	%	10-Feb	17-Feb	24-Feb	03-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	%
Alabama	28,652 *	28,521	28,695 *	28,653	100	20,714	20,568	20,374	21,304	21,388 *	21,176	99
ARKANSAS	29,820 *	29,916	29,991	29,426	96	22,457	22,478	23,167	22,485	23,203	24,259	96
Delaware	4,322	3,555	3,669	3,574	83	5,526	4,693	4,232	4,905	4,817	5,313	109
Florida	2,664 *	2,440	2,544	2,679	93	2,183	2,049	2,434	2,353	2,408	2,400	94
Georgia	31,451 *	32,368	31,513	31,873	102	24,709	24,456	24,539	24,227	24,779 *	25,947	106
Maryland	8,802	8,943	8,736	8,919	98	5,050	5,533	5,715	5,717	5,602	6,089	96
Mississippi	18,609	18,760 *	19,004	18,821	103	15,261	14,843	14,874	15,174	15,388 *	15,151	99
N. Carolina	18,063	18,469	18,290	18,282	101	13,768	13,585	13,999	14,284	14,716	14,873	107
Pennsylvania	3,834	3,706 *	3,817 *	3,559	97	2,516	2,716	2,882	2,402 *	2,658 *	2,822	116
S. Carolina	4,930	4,919	4,846	4,983	103	4,067	4,017	3,760	4,044	3,702	3,754	91
Texas	14,663	14,659	14,738	14,798	103	11,218	11,258	11,532	11,415	11,443	11,643	102
Virginia	6,616	6,649	6,647	6,717	103	5,291	5,526	5,602	5,592	5,859	5,373	102
CA TN & W VA	11,748	11,579	11,496 *	11,564	96	10,525	9,567	9,483	9,981	10,412 *	10,304	97
Total 2000-2001	184,174 *	184,484 *	183,986 *	183,848		143,285	141,289	142,593	143,883 *	146,375 *	149,104	
Total 1999-2000	183,373	184,181	184,823	184,452		145,858	143,311	141,374	141,126	142,475	147,869	
% PREV. YEAR	100	100	100	100		98	99	101	102	103	101	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....						31-Mar	07-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	28-Apr	05-May	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

## **EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES DOWN SLIGHTLY**

*Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 184 million eggs during the week ending March 17, 2001. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.*

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT**

*Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 149 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 17, 2001. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through March 17, 2001 were 1.58 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.*